UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before The
POSTAL RATE COMMISSION
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Experimental Presorted	
Priority Mail Rate Categories, 2001	

Docket No. MC2001-1

OFFICE OF THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE
INTERROGATORY TO UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE
WITNESS: JONATHAN D. LEVINE (OCA/USPS-T2-6)
(April 24, 2001)

Pursuant to sections 26 and 27 of the Rules of Practice of the Postal Rate Commission, the Office of the Consumer Advocate ("OCA") hereby submits an interrogatory and request for production of documents. Instructions included with OCA interrogatories OCA/USPS-T1-1-6 to witness Thomas M. Scherer dated March 23, 2001, are hereby incorporated by reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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1333 H Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20268-0001 (202) 789-6833; Fax (202) 789-6819 OCA/USPS-T2-6. Please refer to your responses to OCA/USPS-T2-5.

a. Please confirm that the only difference between "PS Form 3600-PMRX" and "PS Form 3600 PMPX" is that the former is for "Permit Imprint" presorted Priority Mail and the latter is for "Postage Affixed" presorted Priority Mail. If you do not confirm, please explain.

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- b. On Form 3600-PMRX, in the box entitled "Processing Category (DMM C050)," are three check-off boxes for "Letters," "Flats" and "Parcels." If a mailer presents a mailing consisting of some combination of letters, flats and parcels, and checks one or more boxes, how will the Postal Service determine the number of letters, flats and parcels in the mailing? Please explain.
- c. On Form 3600-PMRX, there is a box displaying two check-off boxes entitled "Identical weight" and "Not identical weight." If a mailer presents a mailing consisting of pieces that are not of identical weight, and checks the appropriate box, how will the Postal Service determine the number of pieces by weight? Please explain.
- d. On Form 3600-PMRX, at page 2, are three tables for each proposed presort level (5-digit, 3-digit, and ADC), and a fourth table entitled "Residual/Single Piece." In the context of the proposed Priority Mail presort discount, please explain the meaning of, and purpose for, the table entitled "Residual/Single Piece."
- e. On Form 3600-PMRX, at page 2, for each of the proposed presort levels (5-digit, 3-digit, and ADC), how will the Postal Service determine the weight of the pieces by zone? Please explain.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the rules of practice. Stephanie Wallace

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